# **LEED for Homes Project Snapshot**

**Carlson Studio Architecture** Birch Haven Residence Middleville, MI

74%

**LEED PLATINUM** 

**Expected Energy Savings** Based on HERS Score

26 % Construction Waste Diverted from Landfill



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#### **STRATEGIES AND RESULTS**

LEED encourages and rewards the use of SIP panel construction in the homes standards. SIPS create a well-insulated and tightly constructed building envelope, speed up construction and reduce waste. The home uses passive design features and a roof mounted solar PV system with space for more PV panels. The key passive design feature is to rotate the main roof plan 20 degrees to the south, so that the main roof is only 15 degrees from due south facing. This passive feature helps to block the summer sun, but lets the winter sun penetrate deep into the home for passive solar heat gain.

#### **EXEMPLARY PERFORMANCE**

Energy Exceptional Energy Performance- Using a combination of great windows, high insulation levels and structural insulated panel construction, the project achieved 29.5 of 34 available points and a HERS score of 26. Heat recovery System.

Water- High and Very Efficiency fixtures and fittings. Kohler Fixtures are featured. Non concrete based on vegetative / permeable driveway for boat input.

# **LEED<sup>™</sup> Facts Birch Haven**



**LEED for Homes** Certification Awarded 3/28/2017

102 **Platinum** 10/11 **Innovation in Design Location & Linkages** 5/10 **Sustainable Sites** 16/22 9/15 **Water Efficiency Energy & Atmosphere** 31.5/38 **Materials & Resources** 10.5/16 **Indoor Environmental Quality Awareness & Education** 1/3

\*Out of 136 possible points

**PROJECT BASICS** 

**Project Type** Single Family **Conditioned Space** 4171 sq ft **Bedrooms Bathrooms** 3+1/2Lot Type **Previously Developed Construction Type New Construction** 

**KEYS TO SUCCESS** 

Windows Andersen Insult. Low-e On Site Renewables 7.2 KW PV Array Structural Insulated Pnls Wall System **Roof Insulation** R-48

Solar Orientation- South facing roofs Lighting-LED lighting throughout Reuse of garage, salvage of existing home

### THE LEED FOR HOMES DIFFERENCE

Construction Waste Management Plan **On-Site Performance Tests Custom Durability Planning Checklist** Third-Party Verified Documentation

# **About the Project Team**

Design: Carlson Studio Architecture www.carlsonstudio.org Sarasota, FL, Seattle WA

Contractor: Homes by True North www.truenorthhomes.net/ Grand Rapids, MI

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Rater - Michael Holcomb

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## **About LEED for Homes**

LEED for Homes is a voluntary, third-party certification program developed by residential experts and experienced builders. LEED promotes the design and construction of highperformance green homes, and encourages the adoption of sustainable practices throughout the building industry.

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